

# Saskatchewan Labour Force Statistics

July 2007

## UNADJUSTED DATA

According to the Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey for the week ended July 21, 2007, there were 508,600 persons employed in Saskatchewan during July 2007, a decrease of 1,300 from June 2007 but 3,800 more than the number employed in July 2006.

Agricultural employment was 48,100 persons in July 2007, up 2,800 from the June 2007 level but 3,200 less than the July 2006 agricultural employment level of 51,300. Non-agricultural employment was 460,500 persons in July 2007. This is a decrease of 4,100 from the June 2007 non-agriculture employment level of 464,600 but 7,000 more than July 2006.

The Saskatchewan unemployment rate for July 2007 was 4.8 percent. This is an increase of 0.9 percentage points from the June 2007 rate of 3.9 percent and 0.2 percentage points higher than the July 2006 level of 4.6 percent.

Saskatchewan's labour force increased by 4,000 to 534,500 persons in July 2007 from 530,500 persons in June 2007. This is 5,400 more than the July 2006 labour force of 529,100 persons.

The Saskatchewan participation rate rose 0.5 percentage points to 71.2 percent in July 2007 from 70.7 percent in June 2007. The July 2006 participation rate for Saskatchewan was 70.9 percent.

There were 25,800 persons unemployed in Saskatchewan during July 2007. This is an increase of 5,200 from June 2007 and is 1,500 more than the number unemployed in July 2006.

## SEASONALLY ADJUSTED DATA

On a seasonally adjusted basis there were 496,800 persons employed in Saskatchewan in July 2007, down 300 from the June 2007 level of 497,100 but is up 5,000 from the July 2006 employment level of 491,800 persons.

The Saskatchewan seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for July 2007 was 4.8 percent. This is an increase of 0.4 percentage points from the June 2007 rate of 4.4 percent and 0.2 percentage points higher than the July 2006 rate of 4.6 percent.

## CANADIAN DATA

Canadian employment increased by 19,200 persons in July 2007 to 17,214,700 persons from 17,195,500 persons in June 2007. In July 2006, there were 16,856,800 persons employed in Canada.

Canada's unemployment rate increased 0.6 percentage points to 6.2 percent from the June 2007 level of 5.6 percent. In July 2006, Canada's unemployment rate 6.7 percent.

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for Canada was 6.0 percent in July 2007. This is 0.1 percentage points lower than June 2007 and 0.4 percentage points lower than the July 2006 level of 6.4 percent.

For more details, contact the Saskatchewan Bureau of Statistics at (306) 787-6327 or visit [www.stats.gov.sk.ca](http://www.stats.gov.sk.ca)

TABLE 1

SUMMARY LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS, CANADA AND THE PRAIRIE PROVINCES

	<u>July 2007</u>	<u>June 2007</u>	<u>July 2006</u>	<u>Change from Last Month</u>	<u>Change from Last Year</u>
<b>CANADA</b>					
Labour Force ('000)	18,352.0	18,215.2	18,057.7	136.8	294.3
Employed ('000)	17,214.7	17,195.5	16,856.8	19.2	357.9
Full-Time ('000)	14,525.2	14,242.7	14,187.5	282.5	337.7
Part-Time ('000)	2,689.6	2,952.9	2,669.3	-263.3	20.3
Unemployed ('000)	1,137.3	1,019.7	1,200.9	117.6	-63.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.2	5.6	6.7	0.6	-0.5
Unemployment Rate (%)					
Seasonally Adjusted	6.0	6.1	6.4	-0.1	-0.4
Participation Rate (%)	69.1	68.6	68.9	0.5	0.2
<b>SASKATCHEWAN</b>					
Labour Force ('000)	534.5	530.5	529.1	4.0	5.4
Employed ('000)	508.6	509.9	504.8	-1.3	3.8
Full-Time ('000)	429.4	417.9	424.5	11.5	4.9
Part-Time ('000)	79.3	92.0	80.3	-12.7	-1.0
Unemployed ('000)	25.8	20.6	24.3	5.2	1.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.8	3.9	4.6	0.9	0.2
Unemployment Rate (%)					
Seasonally Adjusted	4.8	4.4	4.6	0.4	0.2
Participation Rate (%)	71.2	70.7	70.9	0.5	0.3
<b>ALBERTA</b>					
Labour Force ('000)	2,070.8	2,064.5	1,972.6	6.3	98.2
Employed ('000)	2,000.4	1,995.2	1,897.8	5.2	102.6
Full-Time ('000)	1,733.3	1,688.0	1,638.1	45.3	95.2
Part-Time ('000)	267.2	307.2	259.7	-40.0	7.5
Unemployed ('000)	70.4	69.2	74.8	1.2	-4.4
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.4	3.4	3.8	0.0	-0.4
Unemployment Rate (%)					
Seasonally Adjusted	3.3	3.8	3.6	-0.5	-0.3
Participation Rate (%)	75.3	75.3	74.7	0.0	0.6
<b>MANITOBA</b>					
Labour Force ('000)	630.1	633.1	623.2	-3.0	6.9
Employed ('000)	603.1	608.2	593.2	-5.1	9.9
Full-Time ('000)	503.5	496.4	491.3	7.1	12.2
Part-Time ('000)	99.7	111.8	101.9	-12.1	-2.2
Unemployed ('000)	27.0	24.8	29.9	2.2	-2.9
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.3	3.9	4.8	0.4	-0.5
Unemployment Rate (%)					
Seasonally Adjusted	4.2	4.6	4.7	-0.4	-0.5
Participation Rate (%)	70.1	70.5	69.8	-0.4	0.3

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*

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**TABLE 2**  
**SASKATCHEWAN LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS**

	<u>July 2007</u>	<u>June 2007</u>	<u>July 2006</u>	<u>Change from Last Month</u>	<u>Change from Last Year</u>
<b>LABOUR FORCE ('000)</b>	<b>534.5</b>	<b>530.5</b>	<b>529.1</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>5.4</b>
Male	290.9	286.8	284.4	4.1	6.5
Female	243.5	243.6	244.7	-0.1	-1.2
15-24 Years of Age	111.0	103.7	114.8	7.3	-3.8
25+ Years of age	423.5	426.8	414.3	-3.3	9.2
<b>EMPLOYED ('000)</b>	<b>508.6</b>	<b>509.9</b>	<b>504.8</b>	<b>-1.3</b>	<b>3.8</b>
Male	278.7	276.2	273.2	2.5	5.5
Female	230.0	233.6	231.6	-3.6	-1.6
15-24 Years of Age	102.2	96.4	105.0	5.8	-2.8
25+ Years of age	406.4	413.5	399.8	-7.1	6.6
<b>UNEMPLOYED ('000)</b>	<b>25.8</b>	<b>20.6</b>	<b>24.3</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>1.5</b>
Male	12.3	10.6	11.2	1.7	1.1
Female	13.6	10.0	13.0	3.6	0.6
15-24 Years of Age	8.8	7.2	9.8	1.6	-1.0
25+ Years of age	17.1	13.3	14.5	3.8	2.6
<b>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>3.9</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>0.2</b>
Male	4.2	3.7	3.9	0.5	0.3
Female	5.6	4.1	5.3	1.5	0.3
15-24 Years of Age	7.9	6.9	8.5	1.0	-0.6
25+ Years of age	4.0	3.1	3.5	0.9	0.5
<b>PARTICIPATION RATE (%)</b>	<b>71.2</b>	<b>70.7</b>	<b>70.9</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>0.3</b>
Male	78.5	77.5	77.3	1.0	1.2
Female	64.0	64.1	64.7	-0.1	-0.7
15-24 Years of Age	80.7	75.4	83.2	5.3	-2.5
25+ Years of age	69.0	69.7	68.1	-0.7	0.9

Source: Statistics Canada, *Labour Force Survey*  
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**TABLE 3**  
**SASKATCHEWAN EMPLOYED LABOUR FORCE**

	<u>July 2007</u>	<u>June 2007</u>	<u>July 2006</u>	<u>Change from Last Month</u>	<u>Change from Last Year</u>
<b><u>INDUSTRY ('000)</u></b>					
Agriculture	48.1	45.3	51.3	2.8	-3.2
Forestry, Fishing, Mining and Oil & Gas	21.7	21.9	22.6	-0.2	-0.9
Utilities	4.3	3.9	4.8	0.4	-0.5
Construction	34.7	33.2	34.0	1.5	0.7
Manufacturing	32.9	32.6	31.8	0.3	1.1
Trade	80.6	82.7	80.2	-2.1	0.4
Transportation and Warehousing	25.6	24.1	25.9	1.5	-0.3
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate & Leasing	25.5	26.4	24.5	-0.9	1.0
Professional, Scientific and Technical Services	20.7	22.2	18.9	-1.5	1.8
Business, Building and Other Support Services	13.3	12.7	14.1	0.6	-0.8
Educational Services	32.4	41.2	29.6	-8.8	2.8
Health Care and Social Assistance	62.3	61.7	62.5	0.6	-0.2
Information, Culture and Recreation	22.7	21.6	22.8	1.1	-0.1
Accommodation and Food Services	31.3	31.2	30.9	0.1	0.4
Other Services	23.3	21.7	21.8	1.6	1.5
Public Administration	29.3	27.6	29.1	1.7	0.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>508.6</b>	<b>509.9</b>	<b>504.8</b>	<b>-1.3</b>	<b>3.8</b>
<b><u>HOURS OF WORK ('000)</u></b>					
Full-Time	429.4	417.9	424.5	11.5	4.9
Part-Time	79.3	92.0	80.3	-12.7	-1.0
<b><u>CLASS OF WORKER ('000)</u></b>					
Employees	412.1	418.4	407.2	-6.3	4.9
Public Sector	119.6	125.2	118.5	-5.6	1.1
Private Sector	292.5	293.2	288.7	-0.7	3.8
Self-Employed	96.5	91.5	97.6	5.0	-1.1

**TABLE 4**  
**CANADIAN AND PROVINCIAL LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS**

	<u>July 2007</u>	<u>June 2007</u>	<u>July 2006</u>	<u>Change from Last Month</u>	<u>Change from Last Year</u>
<b>EMPLOYMENT ('000)</b>					
<b>Canada</b>	<b>17,214.7</b>	<b>17,195.5</b>	<b>16,856.8</b>	<b>19.2</b>	<b>357.9</b>
Newfoundland & Labrador	236.5	230.6	237.1	5.9	-0.6
Prince Edward Island	73.6	74.4	73.5	-0.8	0.1
Nova Scotia	457.6	458.9	453.0	-1.3	4.6
New Brunswick	380.1	382.8	373.0	-2.7	7.1
Quebec	3,978.8	3,954.6	3,887.6	24.2	91.2
Ontario	6,688.3	6,685.9	6,608.5	2.4	79.8
Manitoba	603.1	608.2	593.2	-5.1	9.9
Saskatchewan	508.6	509.9	504.8	-1.3	3.8
Alberta	2,000.4	1,995.2	1,897.8	5.2	102.6
British Columbia	2,287.6	2,294.9	2,228.2	-7.3	59.4
<b>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)</b>					
<b>Canada</b>	<b>6.2</b>	<b>5.6</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>-0.5</b>
Newfoundland & Labrador	11.0	11.5	11.9	-0.5	-0.9
Prince Edward Island	9.0	7.1	9.4	1.9	-0.4
Nova Scotia	8.5	7.4	7.9	1.1	0.6
New Brunswick	7.1	5.8	8.6	1.3	-1.5
Quebec	6.4	6.1	7.8	0.3	-1.4
Ontario	7.3	6.3	7.2	1.0	0.1
Manitoba	4.3	3.9	4.8	0.4	-0.5
Saskatchewan	4.8	3.9	4.6	0.9	0.2
Alberta	3.4	3.4	3.8	0.0	-0.4
British Columbia	4.4	4.1	5.1	0.3	-0.7

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TABLE 5

**SUB-PROVINCIAL LABOUR FORCE STATISTICS**  
**(3 Month Moving Average)**

	May-Jul 2007	Apr-Jun 2007	May-Jul 2006	Change from Last Month	Change from Last Year
<b>CANADIAN CITIES</b>					
<b>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)</b>					
St. John's	6.8	7.4	8.3	-0.6	-1.5
Halifax	6.3	5.9	5.2	0.4	1.1
Saint John	5.4	5.2	7.1	0.2	-1.7
Quebec	4.1	4.7	4.0	-0.6	0.1
Montreal	6.5	6.2	8.0	0.3	-1.5
Ottawa-Gatineau	5.7	5.5	5.0	0.2	0.7
Greater Sudbury	6.3	5.8	6.4	0.5	-0.1
Toronto	7.5	6.9	6.8	0.6	0.7
Winnipeg	4.4	4.9	4.1	-0.5	0.3
Regina	6.0	4.9	4.8	1.1	1.2
Saskatoon	4.3	4.5	4.7	-0.2	-0.4
Calgary	3.3	3.2	3.5	0.1	-0.2
Edmonton	4.1	3.8	3.9	0.3	0.2
Vancouver	4.3	4.4	4.4	-0.1	-0.1
Victoria	3.4	3.1	3.6	0.3	-0.2
<b>SASKATCHEWAN</b>					
<b>ECONOMIC REGIONS</b>					
<b>EMPLOYMENT ('000)</b>					
Regina-Moose Mountain	148.2	148.9	149.0	-0.7	-0.8
Swift Current-Moose Jaw	54.6	54.5	55.9	0.1	-1.3
Saskatoon-Biggar	167.4	164.3	160.6	3.1	6.8
Yorkton-Melville	42.9	42.4	41.1	0.5	1.8
Prince Albert & Northern	96.0	94.3	94.8	1.7	1.2

Note: All data in this table are three month moving averages, ending in the month specified in the table. For example, the data for July are an average of the three months ending in July (May, June and July)

TABLE 6

**SASKATCHEWAN LABOUR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS BY ABORIGINAL IDENTITY  
FOR POPULATION 15 YEARS AND OLDER**

(3 Month Moving Average)

	<b>May-Jul 2007</b>	<b>Apr-Jun 2007</b>	<b>May-Jul 2006</b>	<b>Change from Last Month</b>	<b>Change from Last Year</b>
<b>TOTAL POPULATION</b>					
Labour Force ('000)	531.3	525.2	522.8	6.1	8.5
Employed ('000)	507.8	503.0	499.1	4.8	8.7
Unemployed ('000)	23.4	22.3	23.7	1.1	-0.3
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.4	4.2	4.5	0.2	-0.1
Participation Rate (%)	70.8	70.1	70.1	0.7	0.7
Employment Rate (%)	67.7	67.1	66.9	0.6	0.8
<b>NON-aboriginal</b>					
Labour Force ('000)	491.6	485.6	483.9	6.0	7.7
Employed ('000)	473.9	468.6	465.0	5.3	8.9
Unemployed ('000)	17.7	17.0	18.9	0.7	-1.2
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.6	3.5	3.9	0.1	-0.3
Participation Rate (%)	71.2	70.4	70.4	0.8	0.8
Employment Rate (%)	68.6	68.0	67.7	0.6	0.9
<b>aboriginal</b>					
Labour Force ('000)	39.6	39.6	38.9	0.0	0.7
Employed ('000)	33.9	34.4	34.1	-0.5	-0.2
Unemployed ('000)	5.7	5.2	4.8	0.5	0.9
Unemployment Rate (%)	14.4	13.2	12.4	1.2	2.0
Participation Rate (%)	66.3	66.3	66.4	0.0	-0.1
Employment Rate (%)	56.7	57.6	58.2	-0.9	-1.5
<b>NORTH AMERICAN INDIAN</b>					
Labour Force ('000)	16.6	15.9	16.4	0.7	0.2
Employed ('000)	13.2	13.1	13.3	0.1	-0.1
Unemployed ('000)	3.4	2.8	3.1	0.6	0.3
Unemployment Rate (%)	20.3	17.6	19.1	2.7	1.2
Participation Rate (%)	61.1	58.6	61.7	2.5	-0.6
Employment Rate (%)	48.7	48.3	49.9	0.4	-1.2
<b>METIS</b>					
Labour Force ('000)	23.0	23.6	22.5	-0.6	0.5
Employed ('000)	20.6	21.2	20.8	-0.6	-0.2
Unemployed ('000)	2.3	2.4	1.7	-0.1	0.6
Unemployment Rate (%)	10.2	10.3	7.5	-0.1	2.7
Participation Rate (%)	70.5	72.7	70.4	-2.2	0.1
Employment Rate (%)	63.4	65.2	65.1	-1.8	-1.7

## Notes:

1. The Labour Force Survey collects data on the Saskatchewan civilian, non-institutional, off-reserve population. Beginning in April 2004, questions were added to the survey allowing for the self-identification of Aboriginal identity for Saskatchewan respondents.
2. The North American Indian and Métis categories are single responses only. 'Other' is omitted due to insufficient responses.
3. All data in this table are three month moving averages, ending in the month specified in the table. For example, the data for July are an average of the three months ending in July (May, June and July).
4. Caution should be used when interpreting results. Small sample sizes can result in large standard errors.

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